DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I - 73 - 99 [x] State Law Change [] Federal Law or Regulation Change [] Court Order or Settlement ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS TO: Agreement ALL IHSS PROGRAM MANAGERS [] Clarification Requested by One or More Counties [] Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT: REPEAL OF THE TASK FREQUENCY MODE OF SERVICE DELIVERY

This is to inform you that a provision of one of this year's Budget Act implementation bills for Social Services (AB 1682, Chapter 90, Statutes of 1999) repealed Welfare and Institutions Code (W&IC) Section 12302.7. Contingent upon the state's receipt of specific federal Medi-Cal waivers, this section would have authorized In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) contractors to use the task frequency mode of service delivery to provide care for IHSS recipients.

There is no action required by counties to comply with the repeal of W&IC Section 12302.7. This is because the state's requests for Medi-Cal waivers to implement this service delivery mode were under review by the federal government at the time AB 1682 was chaptered. As a result of this new legislation's repeal of W&IC Section 12302.7, however, these requests will be withdrawn.

Also to be withdrawn are the state's proposed regulations to implement the repealed task frequency statute. These regulations were presented for public comment in June 1997. Like the statute, their implementation had been delayed pending federal waiver approvals. Consequently, this package never completed the required regulation adoption process.

Questions regarding the repeal of the task frequency mode of service delivery statute can be directed to Diane Just, Chief, Adult Programs Branch at 229-4583.

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